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1. (Twice Amended) A flexible multilayer flat material comprising:

at least one cover layer with at least one flat reinforcement material positioned in the cover layer, whereby the reinforcement material is completely surrounded by a coating compound constituting the cover layer, so that a closed layer is formed around the reinforcement material, whereby the reinforcement material is a nonwoven material with a weight in the range from 9 to 50 g/m².

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26. (Amended) A process for providing a flexible multilayered flat material comprising:

substantially impregnating at least one substantially flat nonwoven material with a coating compound, wherein the reinforcement material is a nonwoven material with a weight in the range from 9 to 50 g/m²;

hardening the coating compound to form a hardened cover layer; and applying the hardened cover layer to a carrier.

REMARKS

Within the present application, claims 1-23, 25 and 26 are pending. Claim 1 has been amended such that the antecedent basis for the coating compound has been corrected. Claim 26 has been amended to further include that the non-woven material has a weight in the range from 9 to 50 g/m².

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112(b)

Claims 1-23, and 25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Specifically, the PTO states that the phrase "the coating compound" in claim 1, lines 3-4, is unclear as to what it refers to, since there is no clear